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Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—220)	Pages S4582, S4583

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 6:53 p.m., until 9:50 a.m. on Thursday, June 25, 2015. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S4610.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

THE FAIRNESS FOR CRIME VICTIMS ACT OF 2015

Committee on the Budget: Committee ordered favorably reported S. 1495, to curtail the use of changes in mandatory programs affecting the Crime Victims Fund to inflate spending.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee ordered favorably reported S. 1647, to amend title 23, United States Code, to authorize funds for Federal-aid highways and highway safety construction programs, with amendments.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Finance: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 607, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide for a five-year extension of the rural community hospital demonstration program;

S. 1349, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to require hospitals to provide certain notifications to individuals classified by such hospitals under observation status rather than admitted as inpatients of such hospitals;

S. 1461, to provide for the extension of the enforcement instruction on supervision requirements for outpatient therapeutic services in critical access and small rural hospitals through 2015;

S. 313, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to add physical therapists to the list of pro-

viders allowed to utilize locum tenens arrangements under Medicare;

S. 1253, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide coverage of certain disposable medical technologies under the Medicare program;

S. 1347, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act with respect to the treatment of patient encounters in ambulatory surgical centers in determining meaningful EHR use;

S. 704, to establish a Community-Based Institutional Special Needs Plan demonstration program to target home and community-based care to eligible Medicare beneficiaries;

S. 1362, to amend title XI of the Social Security Act to clarify waiver authority regarding programs of all-inclusive care for the elderly (PACE programs);

S. 861, to amend titles XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act to curb waste, fraud, and abuse in the Medicare and Medicaid programs;

S. 349, to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to empower individuals with disabilities to establish their own supplemental needs trusts;

S. 466, to amend title XI of the Social Security Act to improve the quality, health outcomes, and value of maternity care under the Medicaid and CHIP programs by developing maternity care quality measures and supporting maternity care quality collaboratives; and

S. 599, to extend and expand the Medicaid emergency psychiatric demonstration project.

WMD NEGOTIATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine lessons learned from past WMD negotiations, after receiving testimony from William Tobey, and Graham T. Allison, both of Harvard University Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 1629, to revise certain authorities of the District of Columbia courts, the Court Services and Offender Supervision Agency for the District of Columbia, and the Public Defender Service for the District of Columbia;

S. 1576, to amend title 5, United States Code, to prevent fraud by representative payees;

S. 742, to appropriately limit the authority to award bonuses to employees, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1550, to amend title 31, United States Code, to establish entities tasked with improving program and project management in certain Federal agencies, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1616, to provide for the identification and prevention of improper payments and the identification of strategic sourcing opportunities by reviewing and analyzing the use of Federal agency charge cards;

S. 1580, to allow additional appointing authorities to select individuals from competitive service certificates;

S. 1090, to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to provide eligibility for broadcasting facilities to receive certain disaster assistance;

S. 1603, to actively recruit members of the Armed Forces who are separating from military service to serve as Customs and Border Protection Officers, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1115, to close out expired, empty grant accounts, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 310, to prohibit the use of Federal funds for the costs of painting portraits of officers and employees of the Federal Government;

S. 991, to establish the Commission on Evidence-Based Policymaking, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute;

S. 1620, to reduce duplication of information technology at the Department of Homeland Security;

S. 1638, to direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to submit to Congress information on the Department of Homeland Security headquarters consolidation project in the National Capital Region;

H.R. 728, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 7050 Highway BB in Cedar Hill, Missouri, as the "Sergeant First Class William B. Woods, Jr. Post Office";

H.R. 891, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 141 Paloma Drive in Floresville, Texas, as the "Floresville Veterans Post Office Building";

H.R. 1326, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 2000 Mulford Road in Mulberry, Florida, as the "Sergeant First Class Daniel M. Ferguson Post Office";

H.R. 1350, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 442 East 167th Street in Bronx, New York, as the "Herman Badillo Post Office Building"; and

The nominations of Carol Fortine Ochoa, of Virginia, to be Inspector General, General Services Administration, and Steven M. Wellner, and William Ward Nooter, both to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia.

NATIVE YOUTH SUICIDE

Committee on Indian Affairs: Committee concluded an oversight hearing to examine demanding results to end Native youth suicides, after receiving testimony

from Robert G. McSwain, Acting Director, Indian Health Services, Department of Health and Human Services; Collins Clifford, Oglala Sioux Tribe, Pine Ridge, South Dakota; Darrell G. Seki, Sr., Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians, Red Lake, Minnesota; and Teresa D. LaFromboise, Stanford University Graduate School of Education, Stanford, California.

HEALTH CARE AND BENEFITS LEGISLATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine S. 469, to improve the reproductive assistance provided by the Department of Defense and the Department of Veterans Affairs to severely wounded, ill, or injured members of the Armed Forces, veterans, and their spouses or partners, S. 901, to establish in the Department of Veterans Affairs a national center for research on the diagnosis and treatment of health conditions of the descendants of veterans exposed to toxic substances during service in the Armed Forces that are related to that exposure, to establish an advisory board on such health conditions, S. 1082, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the removal or demotion of employees of the Department of Veterans Affairs based on performance or misconduct, S. 1085, to expand eligibility for the program of comprehensive assistance for family caregivers of the Department of Veterans Affairs, to expand benefits available to participants under such program, to enhance special compensation for members of the uniformed services who require assistance in everyday life, S. 1117, to amend title 38, United States Code, to expand the authority of the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to remove senior executives of the Department of Veterans Affairs for performance or misconduct to include removal of certain other employees of the Department, H.R. 91, to amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to issue, upon request, veteran identification cards to certain veterans, an original bill entitled, "Jason Simcakoski Memorial Opioid Safety Act", and an original bill entitled, "Biological Implant Tracking and Veterans Safety Act", after receiving testimony from Rajiv Jain, Assistant Deputy Under Secretary Veterans Affairs for Health for Patient Care Services, Veterans Health Administration; Ian de Planque, The American Legion, Peter B. Hegseth, Concerned Veterans for America, Adrian M. Atizado, Disabled American Veterans, Carl Blake, Paralyzed Veterans of America, and Max Stier, Partnership for Public Service, all of Washington, D.C.; and John Rowan, Vietnam Veterans of America, Queens, New York.

BUSINESS MEETING

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee ordered favorably reported an original bill entitled, "Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2016".

CAREER REINVENTIONS AND THE NEW RETIREMENT WORKSPACE

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded a hearing to examine work in retirement, focusing on career reinventions and the new retirement workscape, after receiving testimony from Sara E. Rix, Work and Aging, and Kerry Hannon, *Forbes*, both of Washington, D.C.; Susan E. Nordman, Erda, Dexter, Maine; and James C. Godwin, Jr., Bon Secours Virginia Health System, Richmond.

CANNABIDIOL

United States Senate Caucus on International Narcotics Control: Caucus concluded a hearing to examine cannabidiol, focusing on barriers to research and potential medical benefits, after receiving testimony from Joseph T. Rannazzisi, Deputy Assistant Administrator, Drug Enforcement Administration, Department of Justice; Douglas C. Throckmorton, Deputy Director for Regulatory Programs, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, Food and Drug Administration, and Nora D. Volkow, Director, National Institute on Drug Abuse, National Institutes of Health, both of the Department of Health and Human Services; John Bradford Ingram, University of Mississippi Medical Center, Jackson; Kevin A. Sabet, SAM, Inc., Cambridge, Massachusetts; and Thomas Minahan, Arrowhead Regional Medical Center, Colton, California.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 18 public bills, H.R. 2867–2885; and 4 resolutions, H.J. Res. 58; and H. Res. 336–337, 339, were introduced. **Pages H4650–51**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H4651–52**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

S. 984, to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide Medicare beneficiary access to eye tracking accessories for speech generating devices and to remove the rental cap for durable medical equipment under the Medicare Program with respect to speech generating devices (H. Rept. 114–178, Part 1); and

H. Res. 338, providing for consideration of the Senate amendment to the House amendment to the Senate amendment to the bill (H.R. 1295) to extend the African Growth and Opportunity Act, the Generalized System of Preferences, the preferential duty treatment program for Haiti, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 114–179). **Pages H4649–50**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Duncan (TN) to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H4595**

Recess: The House recessed at 11:04 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H4602**

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Dr. Chandra Bhanu Satpathy, Shri

Sai Cultural & Community Center, Seattle, Washington. **Pages H4602–03**

Ratepayer Protection Act of 2015: The House passed H.R. 2042, to allow for judicial review of any final rule addressing carbon dioxide emissions from existing fossil fuel-fired electric utility generating units before requiring compliance with such rule, and to allow States to protect households and businesses from significant adverse effects on electricity ratepayers or reliability, by a recorded vote of 247 ayes to 180 noes, Roll No. 384. **Pages H4617–33**

Pursuant to the Rule, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 114–20 shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the five-minute rule. **Page H4624**

Agreed to:

Huizenga (MI) amendment (No. 3 printed in H. Rept. 114–177) that offers a sense of Congress that the EPA should specifically address how the megawatt hours discharged from pumped hydroelectric storage will be incorporated in State and Federal implementation plans created by final rules made under section (2)(b) of this bill; and **Pages H4627–28**

Newhouse amendment (No. 5 printed in H. Rept. 114–177) that directs the EPA to recognize hydropower as a renewable energy source when issuing,